

iron ploughs manufactured in America and sold at a price below Rs. 15 each. Early orders are solicited.

Reply of Government.—If the machines required by any one are intimated, Government will endeavour to procure them.

Subject No. 122.

Travelling allowances for Taluk officials.

Messrs. Venkatramaiya and Rama Rao of Tumkur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Travelling allowances may be granted to Taluk officials, while on duty out of Taluk head-quarters, as is done to the District and Public Works Department officials.

Reply of Government.—This is a matter for Government.

Subject No. 123.

Scale of batta to officers and their establishments.

Messrs. A. Annaiya Pandit and D. Narasimhaiya of Chamrajnagar.

Summary of discussion.—Officials under Rs. 30 should be paid a daily batta at $1\frac{1}{2}$ times the present rate, and officers whose pay exceeds Rs. 300, a batta not exceeding Rs. 3 per diem.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Subject No. 124.

Disputes relating to boundaries of inam lands.

Messrs. Siddalinga Maridevaru of T. Narsipur Taluk and B. Garudachar of Shimoga.

Summary of discussion.—At present disputes between Inamdars and Sirkar occupants relating to boundaries are adjudicated upon by Civil Courts. This course entails loss on the parties concerned. Disputes relating to boundaries of Government lands are disposed of by the Amildars themselves. They may be empowered to settle boundary disputes of Inam lands as well. (Mr. Garudachar of Shimoga says this would not be practicable, as the matter becomes civil when it involves a right.)

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Subject No. 125.

For the recovery of land revenue movable property not to be proceeded against.

Messrs. Srinivasamurti of Gorur and Venkatramaiya of Channarayana.

Summary of discussion.—Land, and not movable property, should be proceeded against first for the recovery of revenue arrears.

Reply of Government.—Noted. This is the existing rule.

Subject No. 126.

Remission of water-rate.

Mr. C. B. Gopaul Rao of Kolar.

Summary of discussion.—In years of drought the water-rate merged in wet assessment may be remitted.

Reply of Government.—The present policy of Government is not to grant remissions.

Subject No. 127.

Assessment on hittals, vacant sites, etc.

Messrs. C. Srinivasa Rao, Veerathegowda and M. Ramachandra Rao of Chikmagalur Taluk, and others.

Mr. Madappa of Mysore Taluk.

Mr. Sidda Basavevaru of the T. Narsipur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(a) Hittals and vacant sites have been heavily assessed. The assessment in some cases is heavier than garden rates. Such hittals may be assessed at dry rates.

(b) A reduction in the rate is prayed for.

(c) The rates of assessment are not uniform in all the districts.

(d) The assessment imposed on lands used for drying and threshing the crops and stacking straw, fodder and firewood, may be abolished altogether.

Messrs. Sitaramaiah of Krishnarajpete, V. Ramanna and Anand-alwar of Mandya Taluk.

Messrs. Kane Devappa of Sagar,
Kalyanapuram Halappa of Sagar,
Halappa and Vibhuti Nanjun-
dappa of Channagiri Taluk.

(e) The tax imposed on vacant sites not attached to houses but reserved for sheep-pens and cattle-sheds should be abolished.

Messrs. Patel Channabasappa, Ven-
katagiriappa and Patel Madappa.

(f) Raiyats were allowed, free of tax, sites for making "kanas" from time immemorial. The concession may be kindly continued to them by abolishing the tax lately imposed on such lands.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao and other members prayed that the levy might be held in abeyance till final orders were passed.

Reply of Government.—The Dewan and Councillors have anxiously considered this question. It has, however, to be further discussed in certain aspects. Its final disposal has therefore been deferred, but a decision will be announced as soon as possible.

Subject No. 128.

Recovery of kadayam from
pattadars.

Mr. Anandalvar of Mandya Taluk

Summary of discussion.—The recovery of kadayam from other than pattadars and registered hissedars and persons in enjoyment of land may be prohibited to prevent disputes about land. In the taluk, kadayam is recovered from pattadars without enquiry. In some cases it has been the practice during the past 10 or 15 years to levy the kadayam from the shikmidars. The collection of kadayam after enquiry may be insisted upon.

Reply of Government.—When the khatedar pays, the shikmidar cannot be given the preference. It is only when the former fails that the latter can be permitted to pay. The revised Revenue Rules are clear on the point, and no reason exists for their alteration.

Subject No. 129.

Provision of land in every
village for building purposes

Mr. Gura Rao of Nanjangud
Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In many villages Government waste lands suitable for building sites not being available, the poorer classes of raiyats find it difficult to put up huts &c., on the outbreak of epidemic diseases. Every village may be provided with vacant lands suited for the purpose according to its requirements.

Reply of Government.—Each case should be represented individually to the Deputy Commissioner for relief.

Subject No. 130.

Settlement of compensation
of lands taken up for
channels.

Messrs. Amble Annaiya Pandit of
Chamarajnagar and Guru Rao of
Nanjangud.

Summary of discussion.—In dealing with cases of compensation to be paid for lands already taken up or hereafter to be taken up for the extension of channels, two respectable raiyats of the taluk concerned, unconnected with the case, should be selected and compensation assessed on their recommendation. Arrangement should be made for payment of compensation within one year from date of acquisition of lands, failing which, interest at $\frac{1}{2}$ a pie per every rupee per month should be paid to the party concerned up